

DAIRY COW HAS ENVIABLE RECORD

St. Mawes Queen Annette, twelve-year-old registered Jersey, owned by W. D. Neill of Stanfield, has completed her 305 day test with a production of 8758 pounds of milk and 442.8 pounds of fat, returning \$67.74 to her owner over feed costs, according to the October report of the Umatilla Morrow Dairy Herd Improvement association just released by H. R. Hartley, tester. This is not a record production but is outstanding for a cow that old, Mr. Hartley states.

This cow was born March 3, 1927, and when a two-year-old produced only 233.7 pounds of fat, but in 1930 she showed more promise by producing 300 pounds, followed by 424.4 pounds in the 1931 year. Having more or less outdone herself, she dropped back to 361 pounds of fat in 1932, and then started a gradual yearly increase. In 1933 she produced 384.4 pounds, 399 pounds in 1934, 408.6 pounds in 1935, and a grand climax of 550.5 pounds when she was nine years old in 1936. In that year she returned a total of \$131.25 above feed costs to F. A. Baker, who owned her at that time.

At calving time in 1937 she suffered an accident which kept her out of production for the entire year, but came back the next year to produce 413.4 pounds of fat. In all this remarkable cow has produced a total of 3920 pounds of butterfat, which at 25c per pound would bring a gross return to her owners of \$980.00.

St. Mawes Queen Annette was sired by Ruth's Noble St. Mawes and out of Count's Queen Esther. Mr. Neill acquired her in 1938 when he purchased the entire Baker herd. Mr. Hartley states that this is a good example of the value in Dairy Herd Improvement association work. Some owners follow the plan of selling their cows for beef when they reach nine or ten years of age, but if they have production records available many of these old cows could be very profitably retained. Also, many owners make a practice of selling cows when for some reason they are out of production for quite a time. He cites this as one instance that a complete testing record proves the value of keeping such a cow. Following is the detailed report of the Dairy Herd Improvement association for the month:

Number of herds on test	21
Number of cows enrolled	371
Total milk production	187,247
Total fat production	9,319.1
Number of 40 lb. cows	45
Average production of fat	25.12

High herd (over 20 cows)—Eastern Oregon State Hospital, ave. fat, 29.03.

High herd (12-20 cows)—Nels Kristensen, Boardman, average fat, 39.6.

High herd (under 12 cows)—L. C. Dyer, Hermiston, average fat, 38.13.

WOOL GROWERS AUXILIARY MEETS

At a business meeting in September the Wool Growers' Auxiliary elected the following officers: president, Mrs. Gaylord M. Madison; vice president, Mrs. Neil Robertson; secretary, Mrs. Hawley Bean; treasurer, Mrs. N. D. Bard; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. Morgan.

On November 7th, the first of the regular monthly parties was held at the home of Mrs. Marian George. Assistant hostesses were Miss Emma Geisler, Mrs. W. H. Crary and Mrs. Edward Liesegang.

In December, members having high scores for the year will be guests of honor. The losers will be hostesses. High scores were made by Mrs. Nell Gillett, Mrs. W. Morgan, Mrs. Cella Gilmore, Mrs. W. Martin Marbut, Mrs. G. E. Greathouse, Mrs. W. H. Crary, Mrs. Edward Liesegang, Mrs. M. E. Coe, Mrs. Neil Robertson, Mrs. Arletta White, Miss Elva Berry, Mrs. E. P. Dodd, Mrs. Wm. Shaar, Mrs. Katherine Daugherty, Mrs. Tom Fraser, Mrs. Stanley Lyon, Mrs. Sloan Thompson, Mrs. C. M. Jackson and Mrs. J. Edgar Saylor.

Paper Issued Early.

This week's issue of the Herald was published Wednesday night instead of the regular Thursday due to the fact that the staff wished to observe November 23 as Thanksgiving day. Next week's issue will come out November 30 in spite of the fact that it shows red on the calendar.

COURT SEASON TO BE LAUNCHED TUESDAY NIGHT

PROSPECTS FAIR FOR GOOD YEAR

The 1939 basketball season will begin in earnest next week with the Bulldogs playing their first regular game at Irrigon on Tuesday, November 28. The first home game will be with Heppner on Friday, December 1. Coach Ray Critchfield is not making any rash promises but observers state that the outlook for a winning season are fairly bright.

A squad of 30 to 40 players are turning out each night with interest keen in making the first ten. Coach Critchfield stated Tuesday that he will make a cut in the squad probably next week. Among the most promising to date are Kelly Tiller, Raymond Holloman, Ralph Crampton, Bill Corpe, Alvin Gettmann, Ted Ripley, Gene Rugg, Bob Pierson and Bob Smith. However, these positions are not cinched and any member of the squad is liable to break into the starting lineup in another week.

The Bulldogs will use a zone defense with variations. The first week of practice has been spent in fundamentals with a little scrimmage mixed in. The boys are fighting hard for starting positions.

The following is a list of the proposed games:

November 28	Irrigon there
December 1	Heppner here
December 5	Mac-Hi, here
December 8	Pendleton there
December 9	Pendleton here
December 16	Boardman there
January 12	Umatilla there
January 13	Pendleton here
January 16	Athens there
January 23	Mac-Hi there
January 26	Irrigon here
January 30	Boardman here
February 2	Umatilla here
February 3	Pendleton there
February 6	Athens here
February 9	Heppner there

AIR STEWARDESS KNOWN HERE

A picture of Stewardess Margaret Howard of United Air Lines appeared in the East Oregonian in the Tuesday evening edition. Miss Howard was shown holding two turkeys conveying the idea that she flies over states which are observing either November 23 or November 30 as Thanksgiving day. The earlier date is being celebrated in Oregon and Washington, while Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado and Idaho are holding to November 30.

Miss Howard is a daughter of Mrs. Bert Michel of Hermiston and resides in Portland. She has been employed as a stewardess for a short time.

LOCAL RESIDENTS SEE PASSION PLAY

The presentation of the Passion Play staged at Vert auditorium in Pendleton Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, drew quite a delegation from Hermiston. The performance is rated very highly by those attending.

The scenes had to do with the last seven days of Christ's life on earth and the experienced cast, the spectacular lighting effects and the appropriate costumery and settings created a lasting impression.

NEW ARTESIAN WELL AT UMATILLA ASSURES BOUNTIFUL SUPPLY FOR CITY WATER USE

Considerable interest has been apparent the past week concerning a new artesian well now being dug at Umatilla by Charles E. Lewis of Pendleton. At latest reports the well had reached a depth of 385 feet where a good flow of water was struck. Several estimates have been made to the amount of flow per minute but it is certain that the flow will be sufficient for the water supply of Umatilla. Tests have been made of the water but as yet no results have been reported.

The flow came in Saturday with an artesian flow of approximately 1,000 gallons per hour, but it is

Little Theatre Group Plans For Play



Above is pictured the cast of "Everybody's Crazy". Front row, from left to right: Miss Lynch, director, Frances Follett, Maxine Paul, Virginia Wells, Genevieve Blinston, Jane Jackson, Judy Colpitts. Second row: Marvin Rankin, Ralph Marble, Jesse Moore, Jim Jackson, Bob Jackson, William Hamm and Jack Meyers. —Picture taken by Gale Felthouse

LITTLE THEATRE TO PRESENT FARCE FRIDAY NIGHT

The Little Theatre, under the direction of Miss Lavina May Lynch, will present for its first performance "Everybody's Crazy", a three act farce by Jay Tobias. The play will be staged in the high school auditorium Friday, November 24, at 8:00 p. m.

The synopsis follows: Three nearly broke college fellows, Herbert Stanley, Tommy Wilkins and Elmer Sneed, in the persons of Ralph Marble, Marvin Rankin and Jesse Moore, buy a summer hotel on notes and do they have a whale of a good time! The audience will be highly amused at the way in which this trio of collegians meets up with Old Man Adversity and polishes him off in a sensational manner.

Business is so very bad that it becomes necessary for the boys to give the inn a reputation as a house of ghosts and a hiding place for an old miser's gold. William Bates, the landlord (Bill Hamm), threatens to take back the hotel. The guests begin to arrive: Julia Mather (Virginia Wells), who is in love with Herbert, and her old maid aunt, Miss Keturra Katt (Julia Colpitts) who believes in spiritualism; a widow, Mrs. Spooner (Jane Jackson), a bundle of nerves; a sleep walking old Romeo, Godfrey Van Gorden (Bob Jackson); his wife Caroline (Mary Helene Pierson), and his daughter, Cella (Maxine Blinston); and an old bachelor, Adam Pottle (Jim Jackson), who has horrible nightmares.

There are many complications and Elmer finds it necessary to impersonate a house doctor and treat the guests for all sorts of fancied ailments. Tommy is forced to impersonate his cousin, Eve St. Regis, the famous classical dancer, and he lands himself in all sorts of jams both with the male and female guests at the hotel. The cockney cook, Libby Ann (Maxine Paul), the colored maid, Gladiola (Frances Follett), and the bell hop, Jasper Flukes (Jack Meyer), furnish plenty of comedy element.

The cast follows: Herb Stanley—Ralph Marble. The (Continued on page 4)

THOMSON SERVICES AT ECHO TUESDAY

Funeral services for Asa B. Thomson, 69, former state legislator from Umatilla county and for eight years treasurer of the Federal Land Bank at Spokane, were held at Echo Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock with the Umatilla Masonic lodge No. 40, of which the deceased was a member 48 years.

Mr. Thomson died in Portland Friday, committing suicide as a result of despondency over ill health. He was born in Pendleton July 15, 1870, the son of the late Oscar F. Thomson, and reared on Butter Creek, where he operated a ranch for many years.

Mr. Thomson married Carrie A. Stanfield in 1897 who preceded him in death about the first of April. Survivors include their daughter Elma of California; two brothers and three sisters, Mrs. E. P. Jarmon of California, Mrs. Rilla Allen of Idaho and Mrs. Phebe Bartholomew, Sloan Thomson and Allen Thomson, all of Echo. He remarried recently to Mrs. Nita Stanfield and they made their home at Pacific City. She also survives him.

Pallbearers were Joe Cunha Sr., Frank Sloan, Jim Hoskins, Bill Switzer, Otis McCarty and Fred Andrews. A delegation of Hermiston friends attended the funeral.

SCHOOLS TO CLOSE FOR HOLIDAY

Schools in Hermiston will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24, for the regular Thanksgiving holiday, according to Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen. This is in accordance with President Roosevelt's proclamation setting aside November 23 as Thanksgiving day.

Although the school will celebrate the earlier Thanksgiving date it should not be interpreted to mean that all students are "good Democrats."

RICHARDS ENTERS CORN EXHIBIT

Ralph Richards of the Westland district sent ten ears of seed corn to Corvallis this week for competition in the annual Oregon state corn show to be held there November 23 to December 2. The corn show is open to any exhibitor in Oregon who has corn grown during the current crop year.

It is thought that there may be several other entries from this district.

Notice to R.E.A. Members. Important news concerning the local Umatilla Electric Cooperative association are written each week by R. L. Woolley, manager. The news will be found on the cooperative page every week.

Local Men Named Appraisers. Circuit Judge C. L. Sweek Saturday appointed V. L. Warren, B. Getchell and Dell Christley, all of Hermiston, appraisers in the estate of Henry A. Hooker. A. C. McIntyre is attorney for the estate.

FIRE SIREN NOW ATOP BELL TOWER ACROSS FROM BANK

The Hermiston fire siren now rests atop the bell tower at the west end of Main street. The whistle for many years has been located at the telephone building but had to be removed with the coming of the dial system. The siren will continue to sound the 12:00 o'clock call to lunch but will not give an alarm at 5:00.

The siren was moved last week by H. A. Pankow who states that all fire alarms may now be made either by calling Pearson's Service or by throwing the switch at the tower. Anyone doing the latter should remain near the tower to give the location of the fire to firemen.

Night fire calls should be made by dialing the fire and police number, 2931, listed in the directory. An extension has been made to Jack's Cafe who will ring the alarm.

UMATILLA RAPIDS DAM AGAIN LOOMS

An item coming from Washington, D. C., and written by John W. Kelly, Washington correspondent, states that another step in the development of the Columbia river will be attempted in the next session of congress. That will be an effort to have congress authorize a dam at Umatilla rapids.

The project was defeated in the last session when members suspected it was another power project. However, the new plan is to assure opponents that the Umatilla dam is necessary as a navigation feature and is important to Grand Coulee for transportation purposes.

SCOUTS ENJOY WIENER ROAST

A group of Hermiston Boy Scouts braved the cold weather Tuesday night and participated in a wiener and marshallow roast at the foot of the butte west of town. The excursion is one of several projects planned for the boys during the winter months.

Julius Gimble, scoutmaster, was in charge.

Wilkes Reported Some Better.

Virgil Wilkes, who has spent the past week in Walla Walla doctoring, is reported some better by Mrs. Wilkes who came to Hermiston Wednesday. Mr. Wilkes took a turn for the worse Sunday but was considerably improved Wednesday morning.

Another Turkey Shoot Planned.

The Hermiston American Legion and Rod & Gun club will sponsor another turkey shoot at the golf club house on Sunday, December 17. Gun artists are asked to keep this date in mind.

Cellers Bags Big Elk.

To B. Cellers of the Westland district goes the honors of the largest elk of the year in this district. His kill weighed approximately 600 pounds and was bagged in the Tony Vey ranch region.

WEATHER RECORD REVEALS DROUGHT OVER LONG PERIOD

HUNTERS REPORT DRYNESS IN HILLS

According to the records of Chas. Taylor, a total of 1.01 of rain has fallen since the first of September. This long period of drought is somewhat exceptional because in most previous years considerable precipitation has been recorded by the end of November. In 1938 there was a total of .67 in October and .81 in November while in the same two months this year there was only .36 and .01 inches respectively.

Not only has it been exceedingly dry locally but hunters report that the Blue Mountains also show a noticeable lack of moisture. What effect the dry period will have on the filling of the reservoir depends greatly upon the next month because to date the inflow is considerably behind schedule.

Monday night the thermometer hit 16 for the lowest mark to date. Cloudy weather during the day, however, gave some indication that a slightly higher mark would follow.

The following are the records for the past two weeks:

Date	Max.	Min.
November 9	58	27
November 10	62	22
November 11	62	33
November 12	59	23
November 13	50	20
November 14	63	25
November 15	55	20
November 16	54	18
November 17	50	17
November 18	59	27
November 19	54	20
November 20	47	20
November 21	42	16

The first snow recorded last year fell on December 21 but showed only a trace the next day. The first of the year, however, came without snow with the weather rather cool.

TOWNSEND CLUB TO MEET FRIDAY

The Hermiston Townsend club will hold a regular meeting Friday, November 24, in the Legion hall. All members are urged to be present. A feature of the evening will be an address by Dr. Townsend on "Prosperity," which will be played on a phonograph.

As this is Townsend week for all clubs in the country, local members are urged to bring a visitor to the meeting Friday. The men will be in charge of the jitney lunch.

GERALDINE MULLINS HONORED AT O.S.C.

Oregon State College—Geraldine Mullins, freshman in secretarial science from Hermiston, was one of 44 freshmen women honored at a banquet given on November 16 by Alpha Lambda Delta, national scholastic honor society for sophomore women. These freshmen girls have made at least three-fourths A's with no grade below a B or the equivalent, during their high school course. Dr. E. W. Warrington, professor of philosophy and religion, was the guest speaker of the affair.

SCHOOL ORCHESTRA ADDS MARIMBA

The newest addition to the Hermiston Union high school orchestra is a marimba. This instrument differs from the xylophone in that it has an additional set of sound vibrators beneath the regular bars of different length.

Gene Alspach and Jack Jackson are being coached to play the instrument by G. C. Humphries, director. Considerable interest is being displayed in band work this year.

No Holiday On November 30

There will be no festivities in Hermiston next Thursday, November 30, even though the date shows red on the calendar. Following in line with President Roosevelt's proclamation, Gov. Charles Sprague changed the regular Thanksgiving date to November 23. The Herald will be published Thursday evening, on regular schedule.